

Subpart D—Job Search Allowances

§ 617.30 General.

A job search allowance shall be granted an adversely affected worker to assist the individual in securing a job within the United States as provided in this subpart D.

§ 617.31 Applications.

(a) *Forms.* Applications for job search allowances shall be filed in accordance with this subpart D and on forms which shall be furnished to individuals by the State agency.

(b) *Submittal.* An application may be submitted to a State agency at any time by an individual who has been totally or partially separated whether or not a certification covering the individual has been made. However, an application must be submitted to a State agency before the job search begins for the job search allowance to be granted, and the job search may not be approved until after the individual is covered under a certification.

(c) *Time limits.* Notwithstanding paragraph (b) of this section, a job search allowance application may be approved only if submitted before:

(1) The 365th day after the date of the certification under which the individual is covered, or the 365th day after the date of the individual's last total separation, whichever is later; or

(2) The 182d day after the concluding date of training approved under subpart C of this part 617, or approved under the regulations superseded by this part 617.

§ 617.32 Eligibility.

(a) *Conditions.* Job search allowance eligibility requires:

(1) A timely filed application;

(2) Total separation from adversely affected employment at the time the job search commences;

(3) Registration with the State agency which shall furnish the individual such reemployment services as are appropriate under subpart C of this part 617.

(4) A determination by the State agency that the individual has no reasonable expectation of securing suitable employment in the commuting

area, and has a reasonable expectation of obtaining suitable employment of long-term duration outside the commuting area and in the area where the job search will be conducted. For the purposes of this section, the term "suitable employment" means suitable work as defined in § 617.3(kk) (1) or (2), whichever is applicable to the individual; and

(5) Completion of the job search within a reasonable period not exceeding 30 days after the day on which the job search began.

(b) *Completion of job search.* A job search is deemed completed when the individual either secures employment or has contacted each employer to whom referred by the State agency in connection with a job search.

(c) *Verification of employer contacts.* The State agency shall verify contacts with employers certified by the individual.

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§ 617.33 Findings required.

(a) *Findings by liable State.* Before final payment of a job search allowance may be approved, the following findings shall be made by the liable State:

(1) The individual meets the eligibility requirements for a job search allowance specified in § 617.32(a) (1) through (4);

(2) The application for a job search allowance was submitted by the individual within the time limits specified in § 617.31(c); and

(3) The individual completed the job search within the time limits stated in § 617.32(a)(5), and the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (c) of § 617.32 have been met.

(b) *Agent State.* (1) When an individual files an application for a job search allowance with respect to a job search conducted in a State other than the liable State, the State agency of the State in which the individual conducts the job search shall serve as the agent State and be responsible for assisting the individual in conducting the job search and in filing an application for a job search allowance with the liable State, and for assisting the liable State